

As the US moves toward humane alternatives to proteins, this bill makes no sense. We do not need rabbit farming and rabbit meat to flood the CT and US market.

1. Rabbits are the third most common household pet after dogs and cats
- 2- Due to public pressure, Petco and PetSmart stopped selling pet rabbits. They now only display rescue rabbits for adoption – the same treatment they give to dogs and cats.
- 3-Whole Foods and other specialty stores stopped selling rabbit meat after concluding there was **no market for sales.**
- 4-The multi-billion-dollar cosmetic industry has been moving away from using rabbits and other animals in their testing programs due to consumer pressure.
- 5-While the rest of the country has recognized and elevated rabbits as pets, **CT is taking a step backward in proposing this initiative.**

As a CT representative, listen to the voices of those you represent, not the voice of an uniformed minority proposing an outdated initiative make profit from slaughtering domestic animals.

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